ALPACA Help Guide

This document describes some of the common issues users may encounter while using ALPACA.

Navigating the Map Interface

The **left navigation bar** contains **Tabs** and **Data Sets**. This is the primary way for the user to view charts and change the data that is displayed.

Data Sets are controlled by the buttons under the **View** tab.

Tabs control the charts representing age, income, poverty, veteran status, language and race data.

From the **Tools** dropdown menu (upper right corner), you can find your **Selection** tools as well as the **Print** and **Basemap** functions.

Selecting a Data Set

Under the **View** tab, click on the buttons next to the **Data Sets** (e.g., Title VI language (test), poverty, veterans) to change the data.

Now select a tab (on the left navigation panel) to see a graph representing the statewide distribution of that data set in Washington state.
            Title VI = Language and Minority
            Environmental Justice = Poverty
            Population = Age and Veterans

Selecting a data set will also change the pop-up window that will be displayed.

Data is Not Displaying

Depending on your internet connection, you may need to be patient while the data loads.

Charts and Graphs

Pop-up graphs can be displayed by simply clicking once on the map. Try different zoom levels to get larger areas (i.e., zoom out to select an entire county).

Your pop-up will show the **Data Set** that you have selected under the **View** tab.

Charts in the Left Navigation Bar

In order for charts to properly display in the left navigation pane, make sure you have selected a service area (blue or green border). Your charts will represent the cumulative demographics of the area you have selected.

Note: If no blue or green service area has been drawn, the default values shown on the charts represent the entire state of Washington.

Adding Data – coming soon

This function will allow users to upload their own data files to display.

Drawing the Service Area

You must first draw a service area before you can view charts displaying its demographics.

1) Use the **Tools** dropdown menu in the upper right corner of the screen and select **Service Area**.
2) Select **Draw** from the menu and move the cursor to begin drawing your service area.
3) Zoom to your preferred viewing level and follow the mouse (tooltip) instructions by clicking once to start drawing a line.
   a. Each additional click will place a pivot point for the shape you are drawing.
   b. Double click your mouse to complete the shape.
4) If you make a mistake, you will need to click **Clear** to start over.

Note: If using political boundaries as a reference, draw your shape inside the political boundary you are following. Once you finish, the program will adjust your service area to the outermost boundary in which your line was drawn.

Printing a Map – coming soon

You are currently only able to preview your printed work.

Saving Your Work – coming soon

Data sets

Manual Zoom Tool or (mouse scroll wheel)

Transparency Bar

Tools dropdown

Tabs and Charts

View
○ WSDOT - Title VI Boundaries (test)
○ WSDOT - Title VI Language
● WSDOT - Title VI Language (test)
    ● Title VI
    ○ Spanish
    ○ Indo/European
    ○ Asia/Pacific Island
    ○ Other
No legend
○ WSDOT - Title VI Minority (test)
○ WSDOT - Title VI Poverty (test)
○ WSDOT - Title VI Veterans (test)
○ WSDOT - Title VI Age (test)
User Added Data

Add

☑ layer0 remove

Title VI
Env. Justice
Population

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Basemap ▸
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